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AGENDA

Meeting No. 60

Research, Development and Production Review Board MEETING

5 September 1956

Room 2035 "I" Bldg. - 1430 hours

I. Old Business:

1. Review and Approval of the Minutes of Meeting #59, and the special meeting of 8 August 1956.

II. New Business:

1. Report by the Security Division on the development of a new cryptographic device by NSA.
2. Report by the Plans and Policy Staff on funding for Project [REDACTED]
3. Report by Supplemental Programs Division on the cancellation of the [REDACTED]

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25 YEAR RE-REVIEW

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MINUTES

Research, Development and Production Review Board

- I. Meeting #60 of the Research, Development and Production Review Board was held in the OC Conference Room at 1430 hours on 5 September 1956. The following persons were in attendance:



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III. Under Agenda Item I, Old Business:

The Minutes of Meeting #59 were approved by the Board.

III. Under Agenda Item II, New Business:

1. [redacted] informed the Board that the [redacted] had been delivered by [redacted] and that SPD was in the process of readying the equipment for a field test. He stated that many faults in the design of the equipment had been uncovered and that, in general, he considered the engineering of the system to be very poor. Because of this, the task for this project was allowed to expire on August 31, 1956 even though the outline of the Contractor's work called for the operation of an [redacted]

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[redacted] during the field tests. This information was noted by the Board.

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2. [redacted] reported that NSA is developing an automatic cryptographic machine which is a replacement for a one time pad. The equipment



3. [redacted] said that after discussions with representatives of DDP and the [redacted] in regard to Project [redacted], he was of the opinion that CIA was obligated to spend its own funds for the program. Approximately \$120,000 is needed. After some discussion, [redacted] proposed that the matter be referred to the DDP for a decision as to whether to:

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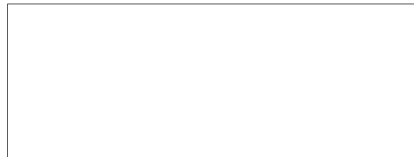
- a. Make funds available for the project,
- b. Suspend the project, or
- c. Ask OC to suspend some of its other FY-57 projects in order that funds would be available for

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It was the opinion of the Board, however, that course "c" should be omitted.

- IV. The meeting adjourned at 1530 hours. The next meeting of the Board will be that of the Ideas and Requirements Panel and will be held on 19 September at 1430 hours.

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Members and those in attendance
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R&D Internal Projects
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